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This amendment is in response to First Office Action mailed January 27, 2005, wherein three months was granted as a shortened statutory period for response, and wherein the amendment filed 3/25/05 was considered non-compliant, and one month was granted from 6/06/05 to respond. Applicant responded on July 5, 2005, but paper No. 2 mailed October 4, 2005 stated that the claims lacked a proper status identifier, and an additional one month was granted to supply proper status identifiers. The current amendment is being filed on November 1, 2005, to include proper status identifiers. This action is non-final.

Claims 1-20 are pending in this patent application.

Claims 12-20 are allowed.

Claims 1,6,8 and 9 have been rejected.

Claims 2-5, 7, 10 and 11 are objected to.

IN THE ABSTRACT

The Abstract has been amended, to delete ~~apparatus~~ from first line of Abstract, and to delete ~~means~~ from the eighth line of Abstract. (See marked up